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APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S DESIRE TO ENHANCE POST AND REGIONAL SECURITY BY ESTABLISHING ADDITIONAL SECURITY POSITIONS AS SPECIFIED IN REFTTEL. INsofar AS IRAN IS CONCERNED, HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THAT WE ARE ADEQUATELY STAFFED AT BOTH THE SECURITY AND TECHNICAL LEVEL AND THAT WITH THE FULL COOPERATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES ALL REASONABLE PROTECTION IS BEING EXTENDED TO THE AMBASSADOR AND OTHER HIGH VISIBILITY PERSONNEL. AS THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, WE HAVE CONSISTENTLY HELD TO THE POSITION THAT ADDITIONS TO THIS ALREADY VERY LARGE MISSION STAFF SHOULD BE MADE ONLY ON THE BASIS OF CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AND JUSTIFIABLE LOCAL NEED. TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE REGIONAL REQUIREMENTS SHOULD BE MET BY ASSIGNMENT TO LESS HAZARDOUS AND/OR DEMANDING POSTS IN THE AREA. FURTHER, WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT IS APPROPRIATE TO REGARD TEHRAN AS A TRAINING POST SINCE MOST DEMANDS, PARTICULARLY IN THE SECURITY AREA, CAN BE MET ONLY BY EXPERIENCED, WELL-QUALIFIED PERSONNEL. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE BUREAU IDENTIFY SOME OTHER APPROPRIATE POST IN THE AREA TO WHICH THE PROPOSED REGIONAL SECURITY OFFICER AND A TECHNICAL SECURITY OFFICER COULD BE ASSIGNED.

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